

Budgeting for Results Commission

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Pursuant to Public Act 96-958, passed in the spring of 2011 (HB 5424), the Governor was required to appoint a commission by July 31st charged with the following tasks:

- 1) Make recommendations to the Governor on the setting of outcomes and goals;
- 2) Recommend the proportional allocation of state revenues across six priority outcomes set by the Governor. Last year, these were:
 - a. Quality education and opportunities for growth and learning for all Illinois students
 - b. Enhanced economic well-being of citizens
 - c. Protection of citizens' lives and property
 - d. Protection of the most vulnerable citizens
 - e. Improved quality of life of citizens
 - f. Improved efficiency and stability of state government
- 3) Review all state mandates that bear on state spending and recommend any that should be terminated.

Per statute, the Commission will hold public hearings in Chicago and Springfield. These are in addition to any meetings the Commission holds which are open to the public.

The Budgeting for Results process has a number of objectives. Chief among these is to assure that the state is spending its revenues on the most important functions, that state agencies are incentivized to perform efficiently, to encourage concentration on outcomes rather than processes, to encourage state departments and agencies to operate collaboratively to address needs, and to provide a clearer narrative to the public regarding how and why the state spends revenues as it does.

Recommendations made by the Commission will become the starting point for the Governor's budget and provide the framework for the legislative appropriations process.

The Commission must produce its initial report to the Governor and General Assembly by November 1. It is anticipated that the Commission work will continue over the next year refining the process and preparing for the FY 13 budget process. Concurrent with the Commission's work, the Governor's Office will be further developing metrics and data collection processes needed to assess outcomes and sub-goals and evaluate agency and provider performance.

The commission is composed of Illinois legislators, executive staff, outside experts and stakeholders. Senator Dan Kotowski (D–Park Ridge) serves as chairman of the commission and was co-sponsor of legislation enabling Budgeting for Results.

The other commission members are:

Hon. Sheila Simon, Lieutenant Governor;
State Senator Tony Munoz (D – Chicago);
State Senator Pam Althoff (R – Crystal Lake);
State Representative Will Davis (D – Hazel Crest);
State Representative Kent Gaffney (R – Lake Barrington);
Hon. Will Burns, Alderman, City of Chicago;
John Bouman, President, Sargent Shriver National Center on Poverty Law;
Carole Brown, Managing Director, Barclays Capital;
Larry Joseph, Director, Budget and Tax Policy, Voices for Illinois Children;
Jim Lewis, Senior Program Officer, Chicago Community Trust;
Lyle Logan, Vice President, Northern Trust Bank;
Dr. Roger Myerson, Glen A. Lloyd Professor of Economics, University of Chicago;
Maria de Jesus Prado, President, Prado & Renteria;
Alex Rorke, Co-chair, Illinois Economic Recovery Commission;
Jose Sanchez, CEO and President, Norwegian American Hospital;
Steve Schnorf, Budget Consultant;
Kevin Semlow, Director of Legislative Affairs, Illinois Farm Bureau and;
Donna Sims Wilson, Executive Vice President, CastleOak Securities.

The executive appointments from the Governor's Office are Cristal Thomas, Deputy Governor, and John Kamis, Senior Advisor to the Governor. They are non-voting members.

If you would like to be informed of the Commission's meetings, please email Jennie Sutcliffe to express your interest (jennie.sutcliffe@illinois.gov).